

COMMITTEE LANGUAGE FOR FISCAL YEAR 1998

AV-8B (V/STOL) HARRIER ACCOUNT: APN

PRESBUD	HNSC	SASC	CASC	HAC	SAC	CAC
277,648	310,648	367,248	283,890	310,648	283,890	283,890

AV-8B (V/STOL) HARRIER (AP-CY) ACCOUNT: APN

PRESBUD	HNSC	SASC	CASC	HAC	SAC	CAC
18,914	18,914	18,914	17,900	18,914	17,900	17,900

AV-8 SERIES ACCOUNT: APN

PRESBUD	HNSC	SASC	CASC	HAC	SAC	CAC
32,647	32,647	32,647	32,647	32,647	32,647	32,647

AV-8B AIRCRAFT ENG-DEV ACCOUNT: RDT&E

PRESBUD	HNSC	SASC	CASC	HAC	SAC	CAC
11,034	11,034	11,034	11,034	11,034	11,034	11,034

HNSC LANGUAGE (Rpt. 105-132)

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Aircraft spares and repair parts

The budget request contained \$740.2 million for aircraft spares and repair parts.

The committee recommends an additional \$62.0 million to procure 11 improved F402-408A engines for the TAV-8B Harrier trainer aircraft. The committee notes that the Commandant of the Marine Corps identified a requirement for 22 of these engines among his highest unfunded aviation procurement priorities. In making this recommendation, the committee understands that these engines will enhance the safety margin of flight training operations and increase AV-8B pilot training production by twenty percent. The committee encourages the Navy to include the remaining 11 F402-408A engines in its fiscal year 1999 budget request in order to re-engine all 22 TAV-8B trainer aircraft.

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AV-8B

The budget request contained \$277.6 million to procure 11 remanufactured AV-8B aircraft, and \$19.4 million for advance procurement of 12 remanufactured aircraft in fiscal year 1999.

The committee continues to support the upgraded AV-8B's enhanced mission-capability and safety-related improvements and notes that, for fiscal year 1997, it authorized the procurement of two more additional aircraft than were appropriated. Since the Commandant of the Marine Corps identified an additional AV-8B as his highest unfunded aviation procurement priority for fiscal year 1998, the committee recommends an additional \$33.0 million to procure this aircraft.

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Section 217—Limitation on the Use of Funds for Adaptation of Integrated Defensive Electronic Countermeasures (IDECM) Program to F/A-18E/F Aircraft and AV-8B Aircraft.

This section would limit the Secretary of the Navy to obligating no more than 50 percent of the amount authorized to be appropriated for development of the IDECM program for adaptation to the F/A-18E/F and AV-8B aircraft until the amount authorized to be appropriated for development of the IDECM program for adaptation to the F/A-18C/D aircraft is completely obligated.

SASC LANGUAGE (Rpt. 105-29)

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AV-8B Harrier remanufacture

The budget request included \$300.1 million to procure 11 AV-8B remanufactured aircraft for the Marine Corps. The fiscal year 1997 plan for AV-8B remanufacture called for a procurement of 12 aircraft in fiscal year 1998. However, the budget request for fiscal year 1998 only included 11 aircraft, a further indication of the Department of Defense's inability to execute its own previously stated procurement program.

In order to provide for the Department's own plan from last year, the committee is persuaded to recommend an increase in the budget request for AV-8B Harrier remanufacture of \$24.6 million in order to restore the procurement quantity to 12 aircraft.

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Aircrew trainer/simulators

The committee continues to support the use of simulators to enhance training necessary for aircrew proficiency. The committee received a request for additional funding to buy a mobile aircrew procedures trainer (APT) and to upgrade an operational

flight trainer (OFT), AV-8B weapons system trainer (WST) and a maintenance trainer at Cherry Point. These simulators are key elements of the Marine Corps aviation campaign plan. Therefore, the committee recommends an increase of \$65.0 million to procure and upgrade these essential training devices.

CASC LANGUAGE (Rpt. 105-340)

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AV-8H Harrier remanufacture

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The House bill would authorize an increase of \$33.0 million for an additional aircraft.

The Senate amendment would authorize an increase of \$89.6 million, including \$24.6 million for an additional aircraft remanufacture and \$65.0 million for training simulators.

The conferees agree to authorize an increase of \$6.2 million for an additional AV-8B remanufacture. The conferees understand that an additional remanufacture can be funded with this increase through program savings.

HAC LANGUAGE (Rpt. 105-206)

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*DEMONSTRATION AND VALIDATION
AVIATION SURVIVABILITY*

The Navy requested \$7,859,000 for aviation survivability. The Committee recommends \$16,959,000, an increase of \$9,100,000 only for development of the Navy Integrated day/night all-weather display helmet into the AV-8B, F/A-18, and Advance Strike Fighter aircraft and \$3,000,000 is only for visualization architecture and technology at the Naval Aircraft Warfare Center Aircraft Division, Patuxent River.

SAC LANGUAGE (Rpt. 105-45)

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SEC. 8009. Multiyear procurement authority.—The Committee recommends providing multiyear authority for the following programs: Apache longbow radar, T-45 trainer aircraft, and AV-8B remanufactured aircraft.

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SEC. 8008. (a) None of the funds provided in this Act shall be available to initiate (1) a multiyear contract that employs economic order quantity procurement in excess of \$20,000,000 in any one year of the contract or that includes an unfunded contingent liability in excess of \$20,000,000, or (2) a contract for advance procurement leading to a multiyear contract that employs economic order quantity procurement in excess of \$20,000,000 in any one year, unless the congressional defense committees have been notified at least thirty days in advance of the proposed contract award: Provided, That no part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be available to initiate a multiyear contract for which the economic order quantity advance procurement is not funded at least to the limits of the Government's liability: Provided further, That no part of any appropriation contained in this Act shall be available to initiate multiyear procurement contracts for any systems or component thereof if the value of the multiyear contract would exceed \$500,000,000 unless specifically provided in this Act: Provided further, That no multiyear procurement contract can be terminated without 10-day prior notification to the congressional defense committees: Provided further, That the execution of multiyear authority shall require the use of a present value analysis to determine lowest cost compared to an annual procurement.

Funds appropriated in title III of this Act may be used for multiyear procurement contracts as follows:

Apache Longbow radar; AV-8B aircraft; and
Family of Medium Tactical Vehicles.

(b) None of the funds provided in this Act and hereafter may be used to submit to Congress (or to any committee of Congress) a request for authority to enter into a contract covered by those provisions of subsection (a) that precede the first proviso of that sub-section unless—

- (1) such request is made as part of the submission of the President's Budget for the United States Government for any fiscal year and is set forth in the Appendix to that budget as part of proposed legislative language for appropriations bills for the next fiscal year; or
- (2) such request is formally submitted by the President as a budget amendment; or
- (3) the Secretary of Defense makes such request in writing to the congressional defense committees.

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AV-8B HARRIER ENGINES

The conferees recognize the need to replace engines in AV-8B Harrier trainer aircraft, and would welcome a reprogramming request from the Department of Defense should it elect to address this requirement in fiscal year 1998.

PUBLIC LAW 105-56

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